

IN THE CLAIMS:

Please amend the claims as follows:

1. (Twice Amended) A fuel oil middle distillate composition comprising:

A) a mineral oil having a cloud point of less than -8°C, a boiling range (90-20%) of

less than 120°C, a 95% distillation point of less than 350°C and a difference between CFPP and

PP of less than 10°C, and

B) a flow improver consisting essentially of:

1) one or more copolymers present in an amount of 0.001 to 2% by weight, based
on the weight of the oil, wherein the copolymers have melt viscosities of from 20 to
10,000 mPas at 140°C and wherein the copolymers consist essentially of a) and b):

a) bivalent structural unit (B1) present in an amount of from 85 to 97 mol%,
wherein (B1) is a bivalent structural unit of formula (1)

-CH₂-CH₂- (1)

and

b) one or more bivalent structural units (B2) present in an amount of from 3
to 15 mol%,

wherein

(B2) is either a bivalent structural unit of formula (2):

-CH₂-CR¹R²- (2)

in which

R¹ is hydrogen or methyl,

R² is COOR³, OR³ or OCOR³, and

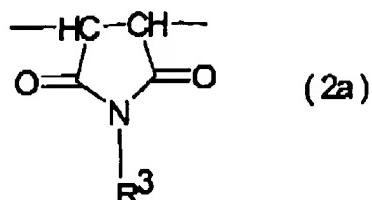
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R³ is an alkyl radical having at least 4 and at most 30 carbon atoms,

or

(B2) is a bivalent structural unit of formula (2a)



in which

R³ is an alkyl radical having at least 4 and at most 30 carbon atoms,

wherein the copolymers optionally consist essentially of up to 4% by weight of vinyl acetate or up to 5% by weight of further comonomers except vinyl acetate; and

- 2) optionally an oil soluble co-additive selected from the group consisting of paraffin dispersants and vinyl-acetate containing copolymers or terpolymers of ethylene.